

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Mick Zais Superintendent

1429 Senate Street Columbia, South Carolina 29201

January 10, 2012

The Honorable W. Brian White Chairman, House Ways and Means Committee 525 Blatt Building Columbia, SC 29201

Dear Chairman White:

The purpose of this letter is to highlight some of budget recommendations for consideration as part of the Fiscal Year 2012-2013 Budget in light of recent revenue forecasts that show some growth in state revenue. My recommendations are made with the belief that dollars should be directed to the classroom and provide districts with funding flexibility. Thank you for your consideration of these proposals.

Economic Times

These recommendations are offered in the context of the current national economy, which appears to be growing slightly. The state's economy is strongly affected by national policy, and therefore, we cannot assume Washington policy makers will take the necessary steps to jumpstart the national economy.

The Bureau of Economic Advisors (BEA) informed the agency on August 25, 2011 that the formula estimating the Base Student Cost (BSC) shows no inflation factor this year. The BEA's estimate for the BSC was \$2,790 in FY 2011-2012 and remains the same for FY 2012-2013. According to the BEA, this is the first time in the history of the Education Finance Act (EFA) the BSC inflation factor has been zero.

Ultimately, the best use of scarce state resources is to direct as much funding to classrooms as possible. These recommendations aim to put the students first when considering funding decisions given the economic times and the information available to the agency as of January 10.

Education Finance Act

The BSC formula estimate provided by the BEA for FY 2012-2013 is \$2,790. However, with the challenges of the economy and the competing demands in state government, it is extremely unlikely state revenue will be available to fully fund it. The recurring appropriation for the FY 2011-2012 BSC is \$1,788. This is an increase over the recurring FY 2010-2011 BSC of \$1,615 and is the result of an additional \$105 million in funding for the Education Finance Act (EFA). The General Assembly also appropriated \$56,174,107 in one-time funds via Proviso 90.18, and when combined with the recurring funding for EFA, results in a total BSC of \$1,880 for FY 2011-2012.

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Respectfully, I request the budget use recurring dollars to fund the EFA line. Furthermore, I request you commit to maintaining the Base Student Cost of \$1,880 at a minimum for FY 2012-2013.

In my budget request to Gov. Haley, I proposed cost savings and funding shifts in the amount of \$56,371,236 to replace \$56,174,107 in one-time EFA funds with recurring dollars. The projected district weighted pupil units (WPU) figure is 868,869 for FY 2012-2013. To replace the one-time EFA funds and maintain a BSC of \$1,880 with increased WPU will require \$70,682,563.

The net effect of adopting these recommendations would require only an additional \$14,311,327 to reach a BSC of \$1,880. The reason for the additional funding is because of an increase in the projected district WPU figure for FY 2012-2013.

South Carolina Public Charter School District

The current budget appropriates \$25,343,146 in recurring general fund dollars for public charter schools sponsored by the SCPCSD. While I believe a permanent solution to funding these schools is to require all dollars associated with a student follow them to the public school of their choice, I support this budget line item until such a solution can be enacted.

Transportation

South Carolina maintains the only-state run school bus fleet in the nation. To meet the maintenance needs and expected fuel costs for FY 2012-2013, I respectfully ask for a net increase of \$5,000,000, and that the proviso providing flexibility for the agency to use excess Education Improvement Act (EIA) funds for fuel be maintained in the budget.

The school bus fleet is one of the oldest, if not the oldest, maintained by a public school system. Older buses are more expensive to maintain and are not as fuel efficient. The General Assembly appropriated \$12,350,000 in the current budget from unclaimed lottery prize funds to purchase new school buses. I am grateful for this support, but the actual amount of unclaimed lottery prize funds may not reach the full authorization amount. Respectfully, I request a Capital Reserve Fund appropriation of \$36,000,000 for the purchase of new school buses, replacing approximately one-fifteenth of the fleet as recommend by SC Code of Laws 59-67-580. These funds will allow the agency to remove buses purchased in the mid-1980s that are still in use today.

Instructional Materials

The General Assembly mandated the suspension of new textbook purchases in FY 2010-2011, and in FY 2011-2012 they permitted a suspension of new textbook purchases. In August 2011, the State Board of Education adopted new standards for Social Studies, after adopting the Common Core State Standards for English-Language Arts and Mathematics in July 2010. During this fiscal year, the State Board will consider new Science standards sometime next spring or summer.

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The state must purchase new textbooks in FY 2012-2013 because of the adoption of new standards in the four core subject areas and the statutorily required textbook adoption process is very time consuming. It is my intent to review this process to streamline it and encourage the adoption of digital content to the greatest extent possible. Respectfully, I request maintaining the amounts appropriated in FY 2011-2012 for Instructional Materials in general, restricted, and EIA fund sources, though I propose transferring the general fund sources to EIA funds. I also request amended Provisos 1.38 and 1A.31 that remove language suspending the purchase of next textbooks.

IDEA Maintenance of Effort

Special education students deserve the same access to a quality education as every other student. After I assumed office on January 12, 2011, I learned the South Carolina Department of Education had not informed the General Assembly of a compliance issue with the United States Department of Education regarding the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA). In fact, the State had not met the federal maintenance of effort requirement (MOE) for the past three fiscal years, prior to the beginning of my public service as State Superintendent of Education.

The United States Department of Education notified me that they would withhold over \$111 million in special education funding on June 17, 2011. This would be a devastating cut to special education programs in South Carolina, which are required by the federal government. Working cooperatively and as expeditiously as possible with Gov. Haley and the General Assembly, the South Carolina Department of Education made \$75 million available to school districts for special education before the close of FY 10-11. This reduced the cut in federal special education funding to \$36,202,909 per year; however, that cut is in perpetuity and I will fight it by appealing this decision by the federal government. This cut is the result of the State not meeting the financial effort required in FY 09-10.

At this time, the U.S. Department of Education has not issued a decision regarding the state's appeal of this draconian \$36 million cut. The federal government has said no cut will occur prior to October 1, 2012; however, the state must be prepared to assume responsibility for this loss of funding or else face future penalties.

Based upon the best available information as of November 30, 2011, the South Carolina Department of Education (SCDE) estimates the additional funding necessary to meet maintenance of effort (MOE) for the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) for FY 2012-2013 to be \$26,125,680, not \$45,481,854, if a joint resolution can be passed to alter Proviso 1A.54.

Proviso 1A.54 states in part, "the department shall direct \$45,481,854 of the funds appropriated in Section XI.A.1 Aid to Districts" for the purposes of meeting the IDEA MOE. This estimate was based upon the funds available during the House Ways and Means Committee process. The ratified Appropriations Act increased funding for the Education Finance Act (EFA) more than the original estimate. This lowered the amount necessary for the IDEA MOE. In addition, the current pupil count is also lower than estimated, which further reduced the amount necessary for IDEA MOE.

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If a joint resolution was introduced, adopted by the General Assembly, and signed into law that changed the wording of the proviso to state "the department shall direct up to \$45,481,854 of the funds appropriated in Section XI.A.1 Aid to Districts", then the IDEA MOE for FY 2012-2013 will be \$26,125,680, assuming the EFA is maintained at the FY 2011-2012 level. This change would need to be incorporated into the proviso for FY 2012-2013 as well. The funds appropriated for the Aid to Districts line item will still be sent to districts, but a larger proportion of the funding will be more flexible in its use. Enacting a joint resolution will ensure the State meets its obligation to special education, but also not artificially raise the base level of financial support, which would likely increase appropriations in future budget years.

National Board Certification

The current budget appropriates \$68,564,000 in EIA funds for the National Board certification program. Given current information about the number of entrants into the program, the agency estimates no increase in funding will be needed for this program. However, I recommend amending Provisos 1A.13 and 1A.39 to close this program to new entrants. Furthermore, I recommend that teachers only receive this bonus for one ten-year period.

Pass-Through Appropriations

The current budget includes pass-through appropriations in Section 1 of the budget and in various provisos for state agencies such as South Carolina Education Television, the Youth Challenge Program operated by the South Carolina Military Department, and The Children's Trust. Respectfully, I recommend if activities and initiatives operated by these entities are funded, they should receive a direct appropriation in their budget section and not a pass-through appropriation.

Net Budget Request

I have enclosed an Excel spreadsheet detailing cost savings and funding shifts. Some cost savings I have previously proposed and I am recommending again this year. The net effect of the cost savings and funding shifts is a \$14,311,327 increase in recurring general fund dollars. The EIA fund has been projected to grow by \$42,496,819 in the next fiscal year. The proposed funding shifts would require only \$28,399,339 of the projected EIA revenue surplus. The agency has taken steps this year to better estimate expected federal revenue for Fiscal Year 2012-2013. At this time, the agency projects \$169,663,565 in additional federal authorization will be necessary to accurately reflect the level of federal funding received by the State.

Thank you for considering these funding recommendations.

Sincerely,

Mick Zais, Ph.D.

State Superintendent of Education

SCHOOL	P00	500	
SCHOOL YEAR	BSC B&CB	BSC PROVISO	BS@# FUNDED
(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)
75-76	\$665		
76-77	707	\$707	
77-78	747	747	
78-79 79-80	791 846	791	\$683
80-81	913	846 913	764 860
81-82	986	986	942
82-83	1,056	1,056	995
83-84	1,116	1,116	1,088
84-85	1,180	1,180	1,178
85-86	1,240	1,240	1,216
86-87	1,302	1,302	1,248
87-88	1,366	1,341	1,337
88-89	1,392	1,392	1,392
89-90	1,467	1,467	1,467
90-91 91-92	1,539	1,539	1,539
92-93	1,604 1,610	1,562 1,585	1,505 1 ₅ 532
93-94	1,651	1,581	1,581
94-95	1,652	1,619	1,619
95-96	1,718	1,684	1,681
96-97	1,778	1,760	1,750
97-98	1,839	1,839	1,830
98-99	1,879	1,879	1,879
99-00	1,937	1,937	1,937
00-01	2,012	2,012	2,002
01-02 02-03	2,073	2,073	1,881
02-03	2,133 2,201	2,033 1,701	1,770
04-05	2,234	1,852	1,754 1,852
05-06	2,290	2,290	2,290
06-07	2,367	2,367	2,367
07-08	2,476	2,476	2,476
08-09	2,578	2,578	2,191
09-10	2,687	2,034	1,757
10-11	2,720	1,630	1,617
11-12	2,790	1,788	1,880
12-13	2,790		

NOTES: BOLD - YEARS BSC FORMULA FULL FUNDED PROJECTIONS - ITALICS BOLD

B&CB: BUDGET AND CONTROL BOARD BSC: BASE STUDENT COST PY: PRIOR YEAR

YR 03-04: Act 68 provided \$65,242,486 for EFA pursuant to the Federal Jobs and Growth Tax Relief Reconciliation Act . (\$1,777) YR 09-10: ARRA Education SFSF: SC Act 23, Part III provides \$184,922,339; Allocated per BSC = +\$300

YR 11-12: Non-recurring EFA allocation of \$56,174,107

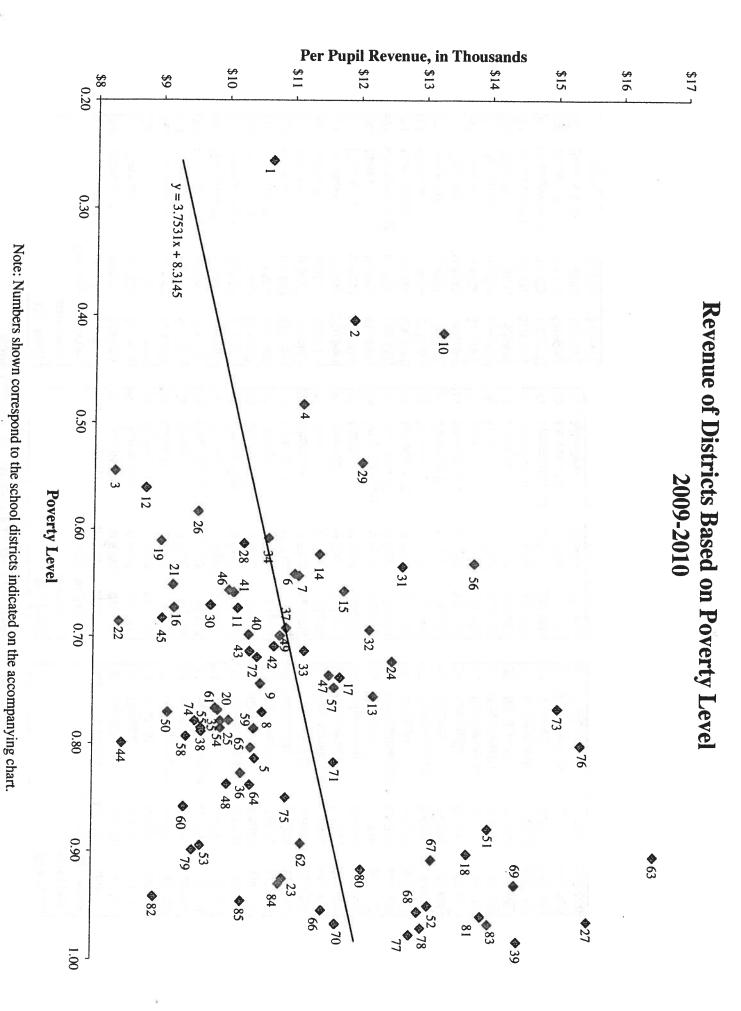
SC DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION District Per Pupil Rainy Day Funds As of June 30, 2010

	FY 2010		Total Fund	
	135 Day	Total Fund	Equity	
District	ADM	Equity	Per Pupil	
McCormick	824	\$2,570,623	\$3,120	Flore
Greenwood 52	1,630	\$4,885,400	\$2,998	Lexin
Dorchester 4	2,136	\$6,352,580	\$2,974	Clare
Allendale	1,523	\$3,860,006	\$2,534	Barny
Greenwood 51	1,110	\$2,554,425	\$2,302	Maric
Oconee	10,369	\$23,643,550	\$2,280	Ande
York 2	6,285	\$14,156,604	\$2,253	Lexin
Spartanburg 5	7,425	\$16,705,470	\$2,250	Greer
Hampton 2	1,055	\$2,279,541	\$2,160	Lexin
Dillon 3	1,613	\$3,383,882	\$2,097	Flore
Bamberg 2	862	\$1,796,095	\$2,084	Orang
Darlington	10,871	\$22,542,704	\$2,074	Dillon
Florence 1	15,143	\$29,890,668	\$1,974	Sparta
Anderson 4	2,765	\$5,035,908	\$1,821	Sparta
Clarendon 1	871	\$1,542,305	\$1,770	Sparta
York 1	5,035	\$8,831,055	\$1,754	Sparta
Spartanburg 4	2,910	\$4,840,007	\$1,663	Berke
Beaufort	18,960	\$31,404,699	\$1,656	Willia
Lexington 3	1,961	\$3,161,430	\$1,612	Clare
Richland 1	23,117	\$37,001,812	\$1,601	Cherc
Newberry	5,679	\$9,020,683	\$1,588	York
Fairfield	2,955	\$4,541,731	\$1,537	Edgef
Bamberg 1	1,424	\$2,186,630	\$1,535	Picke
Barnwell 29	991	\$1,513,585	\$1,528	Lanca
Barnwell 19	806	\$1,231,133	\$1,527	Ander
Orangeburg 5	6,365	\$9,611,432	\$1,510	Chest
Chester	5,324	\$7,786,046	\$1,463	Jaspe
York 4	9,834	\$14,050,983	\$1,429	Ander
Horry	36,305	\$51,709,874	\$1,424	Richla

			Total
	FY2010		Fund
,	135 Day	Total Fund	Equity
District	ADM	Equity	Per Pupil
Florence 5	1,417	\$2,015,483	\$1,423
Lexington 5	16,325	\$23,076,777	\$1,414
Clarendon 2	2,990	\$4,139,769	\$1,385
Barnwell 45	2,396	\$3,240,008	\$1,352
Marion 7	660	\$877,343	\$1,330
Anderson 2	3,626	\$4,748,056	\$1,310
Lexington 1	21,756	\$27,785,198	\$1,277
Greenwood 50	8,742	\$11,152,799	\$1,276
Lexington 4	3,177	\$4,040,200	\$1,272
Florence 2	1,227	\$1,553,358	\$1,266
Orangeburg 3	2,929	\$3,650,218	\$1,246
Dillon 2	3,376	\$3,977,251	\$1,178
Spartanburg 2	9,532	\$10,817,817	\$1,135
Spartanburg 7	7,053	\$7,975,941	\$1,131
Spartanburg 3	2,896	\$3,210,482	\$1,108
Spartanburg 6	10,052	\$10,885,478	\$1,083
Berkeley	27,838	\$29,697,815	\$1,067
Williamsburg**	5,009	\$5,336,454	\$1,065
Clarendon 3	1,200	\$1,272,698	\$1,061
Cherokee	8,791	\$9,279,418	\$1,056
York 3	17,245	\$17,413,749	\$1,010
Edgefield	3,857	\$3,880,999	\$1,006
Pickens	16,023	\$16,018,921	\$1,000
Lancaster	11,401	\$11,291,646	\$990
Anderson 1	8,989	\$8,711,777	\$969
Chesterfield	7,652	\$7,261,080	\$949
Jasper	3,157	\$2,994,156	\$948
Anderson 3	2,559	\$2,403,684	\$939
Richland 2	24,293	\$22,694,466	\$934

\$1,200	\$750,873,257	688,012	Statewide Totals
-\$1,515	-\$1,314,762	868	Florence 4
\$	\$0	1,761	Marion 2
\$108	\$1,099,787	10,160	Kershaw
\$159	\$328,508	2,071	Saluda
\$184	\$152,555	830	Dillon 1
\$329	\$2,691,897	8,180	Sumter 17
\$338	\$1,165,905	3,448	Florence 3
\$393	\$2,352,431	5,993	Colleton
\$411 1148	\$1,796,624	4,366	Union
\$417	\$3,487,811	8,362	Sumter 2
\$443	\$2,476,601	5,589	Laurens 55
\$507	\$1,196,437	2,360	Lee
\$508	\$11,099,750	21,853	Dorchester 2
\$516	\$1,590,819	3,082	Abbeville
\$562	\$2,742,530	4,881	Spartanburg 1
\$588	\$23,971,961	40,795	Charleston
\$638	\$1,042,560	1,634	Calhoun
\$659	\$2,549,234	3,868	Orangeburg 4
\$699	\$8,396,213	12,011	Anderson 5
\$706	\$1,922,987	2,725	Marion 1
\$712	\$16,879,737	23,713	Aiken
\$744	\$1,861,628	2,503	Hampton 1
\$752	\$51,988,381	69,136	Greenville
\$825	\$7,864,035	9,531	Georgetown
\$859	\$7,397,041	8,614	Lexington 2
\$864	\$2,588,377	2,995	Laurens 56
\$928	\$4,050,308	4,366	Marlboro
Per Pupil	Equity	ADM	District
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Fund		FY 2010	
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Note: Orangeburg County Board was abolished in 2007 by Legislature. Sumter AVC now included within Sumter 2 audit report.

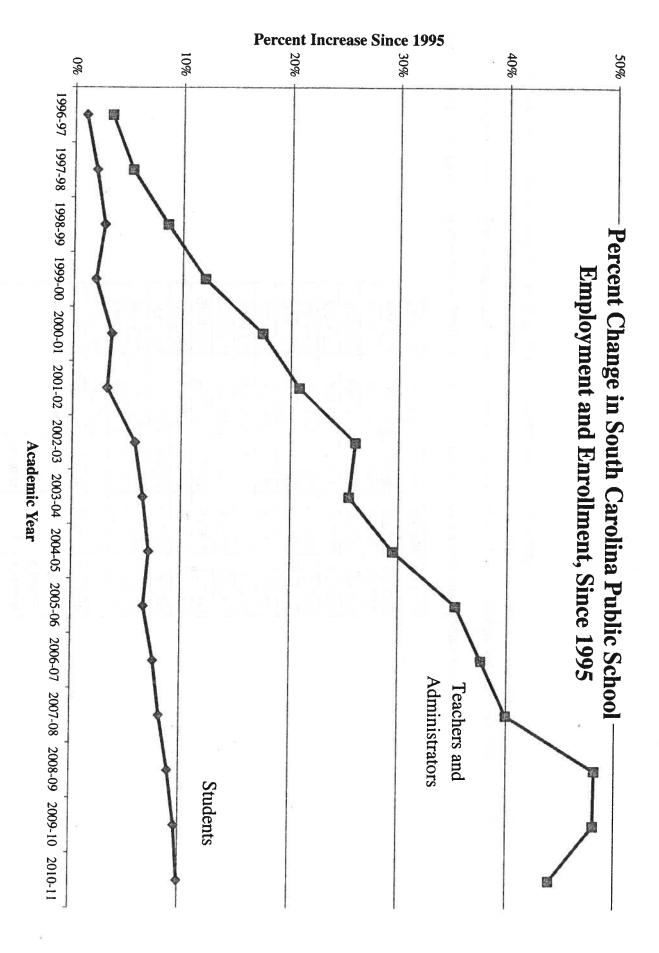


Rank Listing - By District Poverty Level (Descending)

		Poverty	
No.	District	Level	
39	Marion 07	0.9832	
77	Bamberg 02	0.9769	
78	Lee	0.9707	
83	Allendale 01	0.9672	
70	Williamsburg	0.9668	
27	Clarendon 01	0.9645	
<u>8</u> 1	Hampton 02	0.9598	
68	Orangeburg 03	0.9557	7
8	Florence 04	0.9542	1
52	Barnwell 19	0.9500	0
85	Marion 02	0.9459	0
82	Dillon 02	0.9417	7
69	Fairfield	0.9313	w
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46	Berkeley	0.6986	\$10.361
32	Oconee	0.6940	\$12.193
37	York 01	0.6922	\$10.928
22	Spartanburg 04	0.6861	\$8.389
45	Aiken	0.6829	\$9.047
Ξ	Spartanburg 04	0.6735	\$10.191
16	Aiken	0.6733	\$9.230
30	Spartanburg 06	0.6707	\$9.779
41	Kershaw	0.6589	\$10.131
15	Anderson 04	0.6576	\$11.801
45	Lancaster	0.6568	\$10.061
21	Anderson 02	0.6518	\$9.211
7	Spartanburg 01	0.6434	\$11.116
6	Greenwood 52	0.6416	\$11.052
31	Charleston	0.6348	\$12.685
56	Beaufort	0.6319	\$13.767
14	Spartanburg 05	0.6231	\$11.430
28	York 03	0.6131	\$10.277
19	Spartanburg 02	0.6106	\$9.027
4	Pickens	0.6080	\$10.649
26	Greenville	0.5832	\$9.581
12	Dorchester 02	0.5610	\$8.783
ω	Anderson 01	0.5448	\$8.312
29	Richland 02	0.5374	\$12.062
4	Lexington 01	0.4826	\$11.166
10	York 02	0.4161	\$13.269
2	Lexington 05	0.4044	\$11.919
1	York 04	0.2560	\$10.666



Notes: Employment includes instructional and non-instructional positions. Enrollment includes all students (K-12).

Source: South Carolina Department of Education.

Data as reported by the National Center for Education Statistics.

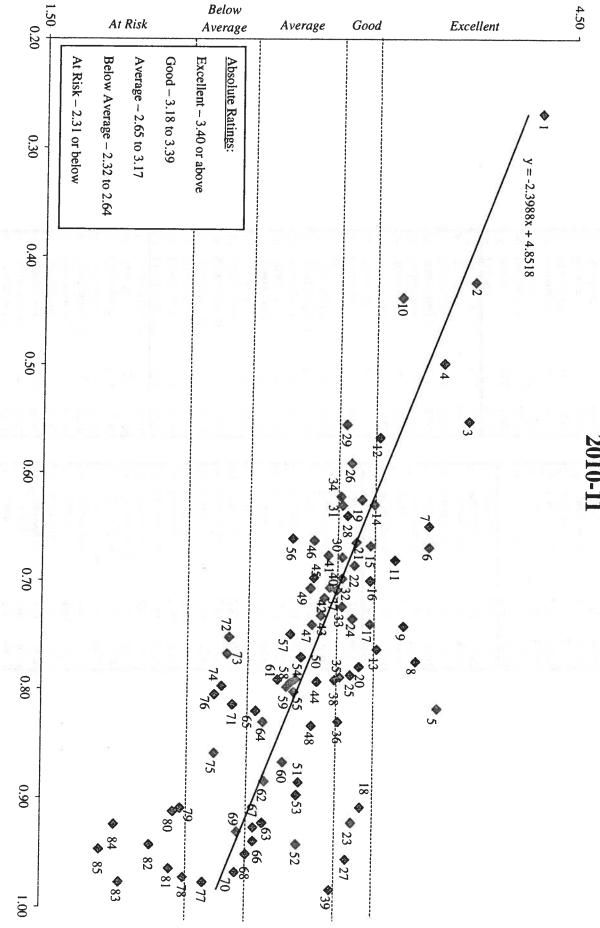
Percent Change in South Carolina Public School Employment and Enrollment, Since 1995

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2010-11	2009-10	2008-09	2007-08	2006-07	2005-06	2004-05	2003-04	2002-03	2001-02	2000-01	1999-00	1998-99	1997-98	1996-97	1995-96	Year	Academic			
700,838	698,718	694,737	689,505	685,804	679,940	682,775	679,091	674,325	657,688	660,071	650,450	655,412	650,574	644,408	637,519	Enrollment 1995-96	Student		-	
9.93%	9.60%	8.98%	8.15%	7.57%	6.65%	7.10%	6.52%	5.77%	3.16%	3.54%	2.03%	2.81%	2.05%	1.08%		1995-96	from	Change	Percent	
65,508	67,355	67,395	63,656	69,882	61,528	58,910	57,064	57,322	54,944	53,411	50,998	49,407	47,937	47,061	45,489	Staff				
44.01%	48.07%	48.16%	39.94%	37.60%	35.26%	29.50%	25.44%	26.01%	20.78%	17.41%	12.11%	8.61%	5.38%	3.46%		1995-96	from	Change	Percent	

Student Enrollment: Number of students (in grades K-12) actively enrolled on the 45th day of school (head count).

Teachers and Administrators: School and district administrators; teachers, including aides; student support staff (nurses, social drivers and mechanics; food service staff; and maintenance and custodial staff. workers, etc.); technology, finance, and personnel staff; program area coordinators; and support/clerical staff. Excludes bus

Absolute Ratings



Performance of School Districts Based on Poverty Level

Note: Numbers shown correspond to the school districts indicated on the accompanying chart.

Poverty Index

Rank Listing - By District Absolute Rating (Descending)

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